

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the amendment to the claims and the remarks presented herein.

The claims in the application are claims 1 to 10, the only claims presented.

Claims 1, 8 and 9 are rejected under 35 USC 102 as being anticipated by the Roberts et al application taken in view of the Wargon application. The Examiner states that Roberts illustrates in Fig. 2, a device for dispensing pre-printed tickets (vending machine 10) and the abstract teaches that the tickets are formatted in a strip including a plurality of scoring lines successively delimiting the tickets. The Examiner further states that the device includes a means of request by a user for dispensing a pre-determined number of tickets and a means of conveying the strip of tickets from an admitter toward an exit opening that sets at least one set of automated opposing rollers in motion to convey the strip between them.

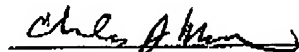
Wargon is cited to show a separate knife which is employed to cut an item along the score marks wherein the cutting tool (knife) can be in the form of a guillotine chopping blade.

Applicant traverses these grounds of rejection since the cited art does not anticipate or render obvious Applicant's game machine wherein the improvement consists of a means for dispensing pre-printed tickets formatted in a strip including a plurality of scoring lines, a means

for conveying the strip of tickets from an admitter towards an opening exit, a cutting device moveable between a homing position and a cutting position on the strip along one of the scoring line wherein the device further incorporates a game of chance, which includes a means for capturing, a means for displaying, and a means for achieving an interactive communication with a distant center. Therefore, withdrawal of these rejections is requested.

In view of the amendments to the claims, it is believed that the claims point out Applicant's invention. Therefore, favorable reconsideration of the application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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